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## Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the Abstract with the following.



A system for transporting small components, generally electrical components, arranged in a row comprising an arbitrary number of chain links. The components are accommodated within a cavity present in the chain links. The cavity is defined by at least two walls, at least one of which must be rigid, while the wall located opposite thereof is a resilient wall.